



## **Electric Board MINUTES**

## **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING March 6, 2013**

The Electric Board convened in a special called meeting on March 6, 2013 at One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Road, 3rd Floor, Room 300, Austin, Texas.

Board Chair Randy Pomikahl called the Board Meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Randy Pomikahl, Robert Schmidt, Peggy Simpson, Chris Wagner, Tasha McCarter and Ronny Williams. Board Member Randy Walden was absent.

**Staff in Attendance:** Carl Thompson, Marvin Pace, Joe Ramirez, Julie Kirby, Leon Barba, Randy Haydon, Florin Vasile, Charles Seaver, Allan Small, and Steve Booher.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the January 16, 2013 meeting was approved on Board Member Williams's motion and Board Member Wagner's second on a 6-0 vote.
2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** None.
3. **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING:**
  - a. **Recommendation for draft code amendment for the 2011 NEC local amendments.**

The Board held the Public Hearing and discussed the draft ordinance. The Board recommended working with code enforcement on enforcement of the ordinance. The removal of Section 230.70(A)(3) means that staff will review case by case. Board Member Williams made a motion to approve the draft ordinance second by Board Member Wagner for a 6-0 vote.
4. **UPDATE AND DISCUSSION**
  - a. **Austin Energy Design Criteria Manual.** Staff provided a list of all changes to the AEDCM. Electricians will no longer be allowed to pull a meter and reconnect. The customer shall own and maintain metering equipment except for the actual meter. The Board requested something in writing on the process for residential outages (20amp single phase), including service rebuilds and main disconnects).
  - b. **Special Inspection Program.** Staff updated the Board and has requested 2 new FTE's to implement this program.
  - c. **Review Process for coordinating review of electrical service plans between Commercial Plan Review and Austin Energy.** Bob Seavers, AE, was not sure of the issue and would like to discuss with staff, then report to the Board. The Board would like a follow up in the future.
5. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**
  - Update on adoption of code amendment.
  - Update on the review process for electrical plans.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Williams for a vote of 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.